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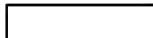
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- 25X1X 1. [redacted] the barracks installation on the east edge of Slupsk (Stolp - P 55/N 08) on the north side of the road to Globino (Gumbin-P 55/N 08) was occupied by Polish tank troops. Most of the troops accommodated in the west section of the installation wore blue-grey uniforms and a small portion of the troops wore khaki uniforms. Units wearing blue-grey uniforms repeatedly marched to a former stable building of the former Bluecher Kaserne where they picked up 15 to 20 T-34 tanks and drove to the training area east of the installation. [redacted] about 15 trucks, occupied by soldiers with khaki uniforms, left the installation for practices. Between 10 and 15 canvas-covered guns and about 10 full-track vehicles, 3 to 4 meters long, which looked like small prime movers were seen in the barracks area. Source could not definitely state whether these weapons belonged to an artillery unit which had left the installation in September 1951.¹
- 25X1A 2. [redacted] a large new four-story building which resembled the barracks installation and was located between the other barracks installation and the east edge of the town on the north side of the road to Globino, was nearing completion. The construction had started in September 1952. Additional construction material was shipped to the south side of the road across from the new building. No definite information was available as to whether the buildings would serve as barracks installations.
- 25X1A 3. [redacted] the buildings of the former Bluecher Kaserne on the south side of former Bluecher Strasse west of former Flassower Weg was occupied by Polish soldiers wearing blue-grey uniforms. Some of the stables of this old barracks installation had been converted into tank sheds. The units quartered in the installation practiced with tanks in the area east of the installation on the road to Globino. The tanks they used were parked in the east section of the quartering area. Two officers wearing Soviet uniforms were repeatedly seen in the area of the installation.¹

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25X1A 4. [redacted] the former Mackensen Kaserne on the north side of former Bluecher Strasse and across from the former Bluecher Kaserne also quartered Polish troops. The eastern most building of this installation was vacant. Two other small buildings were entered and left by a large number of soldiers. A sentry wearing a blue-grey uniform was posted there. No units or tanks were observed in conjunction with this installation. [redacted]
 25X1A [redacted] a headquarters or an administrative office was accommodated there. [redacted]
 [redacted] observed officers and personnel wearing blue-grey uniforms.

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5. Trucks carrying soldiers wearing blue-grey uniforms were seen at the former Hindenburg Kaserne which was located on both sides of the former Schliepgrund Strasse which was guarded by a sentry and was blocked to civilian traffic.¹ The barracks section east of Schliepgrund was surrounded by a wooden fence.

25X1A 6. [redacted] in Slupsk that the units stationed there had been in the area of Szczecinek (Neustettin - P 54/M 90) for exercises in the fall of 1952.
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25X1A 1. [redacted] Comment. The information confirms that Slupsk was occupied by Polish tank troops [redacted]. The unit probably was the 9th Tank Regt. of the 8th Macs. Div., other elements of which are also carried located in Slupsk.

25X1A 2. [redacted] Comment. Summer exercises of the troops of the II Military District in Bydgoszcz are conducted every year in the area of Szczecinek - Drawsko.

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